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Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s) named in the prior

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copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by erence therein.

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9. **Preliminary Amendment**

10. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)

Small Entity Statement filed in prior Application, Statement(s) Status still proper and desired

12. Certified copy of Japanese priority document No. P2001-036441 filed February 14, 2001.

44. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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Applicant(s): Hideo Yamanaka, et al. Attorney Docket No. 09792909-5337

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application, including 131 claims (6 independent w/multiple), 38 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-27C) and the filing fee of \$3,270.00 on behalf of

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and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d).

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